

**MINUTES OF THE
COMMERCE & REVENUE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
ROOM 414, STATE CAPITOL BUILDING
Wednesday, February 7, 2001**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Scott Jenkins, Co-Chair
 Rep. Bryan D. Holladay, Co-Chair
 Sen. Dan Eastman
 Sen. Ed Mayne
 Rep. Eli Anderson
 Rep. Chad Bennion
 Rep. Cindy Beshear
 Rep. David Cox
 Rep. Peggy Wallace

STAFF PRESENT: Bill Greer, Fiscal Analyst
 Jonathan C. Ball, Fiscal Analyst
 Marilyn Reed, Committee Secretary

VISITORS LIST: Attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Rep. Holladay called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Bennion moved to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2001 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen Mayne absent for the vote.

ATC/ATCSR:

Upon the request of the committee at the February 5, 2001 meeting, Robert Brems, Associate Superintendent of ATE, Utah Office of Education, reported on the FY 2002 Equipment Funding Proposal. He gave the committee a handout which prioritized the requests into three levels of funding.

MOTION: Sen Jenkins moved to approve the Analyst's ATC base budget recommendation of \$36,845,100 which includes \$1,000,000 for equipment. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Sen. Jenkins moved to approve the Analyst's Higher Education ATC base budget recommendation of \$1,223,000 of which \$1,221,500 is from General Fund and \$1,500 is from income tax. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Cox moved to add funding to Level 2 of \$2,000,000 for the ATC/ATCSR Equipment Funding Proposal to the funding priority list. The motion passed with Rep. Bennion voting against the motion.

Base Budget:

MOTION: Sen. Mayne moved to approve the following items to be included in the base budgets of the following departments:

Alcohol Beverage Control - Sales Clerks (6)	\$152,000 LCF
Alcohol Beverage Control - Package Agency Caseload Increase	83,900 LCF
Labor Commission - Workplace Safety Marketing Campaign	190,000 WSF
Labor Commission - Programmer/Analyst	55,000 UEF
Department of Commerce - Licensing Backlog	100,000 Beg. Balances

The motion passed unanimously.

Supplemental Appropriations:

MOTION: Rep. Cox moved to approve the Analyst's recommendation of \$221,300 in FY 2001 Supplemental Reductions resulting from internal service fund rate changes. The motion passed unanimously.

Fees:

Klare Bachman, Acting Director of the Department of Commerce, and Laura Poe, Assistant Director of the Department of Professional Licensing, answered questions from the committee concerning fees.

MOTION: Rep. Beshear moved to approve the Department of Commerce fees as listed under blue tab #4, pages 29-40 in the committee's budget book. The motion passed unanimously with Reps. Anderson and Bennion absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Wallace moved to approve the following additional fees of the Department of Commerce:

Occupational and Professional Licensing	
Pharmacy	
Pharmaceutical Out-of-State Mail Order	\$100
Pharmaceutical Out of State Mail Order Renewal	50
Corporations and Commercial Code	
Expedite Fee	\$75
Administration	
Vehicle Franchise Act	\$80
Commerce Department (All Divisions)	
Photocopies (per copy)	\$0.30
Booklets	cost or \$5
List of Licensees/Business Entities	cost or \$25
Late Renewal Fee (except Corporations which is \$10 by statute and	
Consumer Protections with \$25 by statute)	\$20
Verification of Licensure-Hard Copy/Custodian of Record	\$20

The motion passed unanimously with Reps. Anderson and Bennion absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Cox moved to approve the Insurance Department fees as listed under green tab #6, page 15 of the committee's budget book. The motion passed with Reps. Anderson and Bennion absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Mayne moved to approve the additional fees for the Insurance Department:

CE Course Post Approval Fee “\$5 an hour with a minimum of \$25.”

The motion passed unanimously with Reps. Anderson and Bennion absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Wallace moved to approve the Labor Commission fees as listed under green tab #7, pages 24-25 in the committee’s budget book. The motion passed unanimously with Reps. Anderson and Bennion absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Mayne moved to approve the Tax Commission fees as listed under green tab #9, page 31 in the committee’s budget book. The motion passed unanimously with Reps. Anderson and Bennion absent for the vote.

Nonlapsing Status:

MOTION: Rep. Beshear moved to approve the Analyst’s recommendation on Nonlapsing Status for the following line items:

- Real Estate Education and Enforcement
- Public Utilities - Professional and Technical Fund
- Committee of Consumer Services - Professional & Technical Fund
- Comprehensive Health Insurance Pool
- Bail Bond Surety
- Title Insurance
- Public Service Commission
- Research and Analysis
- Speech and Hearing Impaired
- Universal Public Telecommunications Service Support
- Lifeline Telecommunications Service Support
- License Plate Production
- Department of Workforce Services
- Liquor Profits Distribution

The motion passed unanimously with Reps. Anderson and Bennion absent for the vote.

Intent Language FY 2002:

MOTION: Sen. Eastman moved to approve the Intent Language of the Commerce Department (page 2 of attached copy). The motion passed unanimously with Reps. Anderson and Bennion absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Eastman moved to approve the Intent Language of the Labor Commission (page 2 of attached copy). The motion passed unanimously with Reps. Anderson and Bennion absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen Mayne moved to approve the Intent Language of the Utah State Tax Commission (page 2 of attached copy). The motion passed unanimously with Reps. Anderson and Bennion absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Wallace moved to approve intent language to complement the request for \$1.9 million

in child care money for the Department of Workforce Services as follows:

It is the intent of the legislature that the Department of Workforce Services convene a group to explore ways to provide affordable health insurance to child care workers. The group should include home and center care providers, insurance companies, the small business association and other appropriate entities. The Department will report results to the Commerce/Revenue Appropriations Subcommittee as part of the Department's annual presentation.

The motion passed unanimously with Reps. Anderson, Bennion, and Cox absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Wallace moved to approve intent language of the Department of Workforce Services (page 3 of attached copy). The motion passed unanimously with Reps. Anderson and Bennion absent for the vote.

MOTION: Sen. Mayne moved to approve Legislative intent language for the Department of Workforce Services FY 2002 as follows:

It is the intent of the Legislature that the Department of Workforce Services do an annual review of the Family Employment Program (FEP) cash assistance grant levels. This is to determine the adequacy of those grants in helping families meet basic living expenses (housing, utilities, and food). The department shall consider the TANF grant and other funding sources while conducting this review and consider the funds available for ongoing and one time use.

It is the intent of the Legislature that the Department of Workforce Services include for consideration in its annual budget submission to the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget sufficient funding for grant adjustments based on its annual review of the TANF grant and other funding sources and consider the availability of these funds for ongoing and one time use.

The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Anderson absent for the vote.

Department of Rehabilitation:

Blaine Peterson, Director of the Office of Rehabilitation, reported on the committee's request for reasons the Office of Rehabilitation does not want to be part of the Department of Workforce Services. The Office of Rehabilitation's priority is "How will individuals with disabilities be best served?" The Office of Rehabilitation feels these individuals are being served best as the program exists now. Why make a change when everything works so well? However, the Office of Rehabilitation will try to work with the Department of Workforce Services.

Sen. Eastman expressed that the purposes of the two Departments seem different and if the Office of Rehabilitation were put under the auspices of Workforce Services, the quality of their work and their ability to perform service might be diluted. The Office of Rehabilitation should be left as a separate entity.

Sen. Jenkins asked where one could go to find all the services available to the disabled. Answer: All the agencies have compiled a listing of services called the Information Referral Program for the Disabled with a 1-800 number.

Rep. Wallace asked Director Peterson if the challenges and problems of coordinating with the Department of Workforce Services have been defined and does he have solutions on how he is going to improve communication and coordination. Is there a plan in place, or is it in the process? Answer: The Departments are still in the process. They have established a memorandum of understanding and identified in their cooperative agreement joint training, cross training of staffs, etc.

FY 2001 Intent Language and Fees:

MOTION: Sen. Mayne moved to approve FY 2001 Supplemental Intent Language and Fees as recommended by the Analyst (page 4 of attached copy). The motion passed with Rep. Anderson absent for the vote.

Analyst Greer asked the committee to prioritize the priority list into high, medium, and low priority groupings and then prioritize each grouping for the next committee meeting on February 9, 2001.

Karen Silver, Salt Lake Community Action/Child Care Coalition, requested that the committee give priority to child care funding.

MOTION: Rep. Bennion moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Anderson absent for the vote.

Co-Chair Holladay adjourned the meeting at 4:38 p.m.

Sen. Scott Jenkins, Co-Chair

Rep. Bryan D. Holladay, Co-Chair